



## When Seconds Count Storm Ready Communities Are Prepared



Americans live in the most severe weather prone country on earth. Each year 10,000 thunderstorms, 2500 floods, 1000 tornadoes and 10 hurricanes impact the United States. Potentially deadly severe weather impacts every American. Communities can now rely on the National Weather Service's Stormready program to help them guard against the ravages of Mother Nature.

### What is StormReady ?

Ninety percent of all President declared disasters are weather related. Through the StormReady program, NOAA's National Weather Service gives communities the skills and education needed to survive severe weather-before and during the event. StormReady helps community leaders and emergency managers strengthen their local hazardous weather operations.





**STORMREADY not STORM PROOF**



StormReady does not mean Storm Proof. StormReady communities are better prepared to save lives from the onslaught of severe weather through better planning, education and awareness. Communities have fewer fatalities and property damage if they plan before dangerous weather arrives. No community is storm proof, but StormReady can help communities save lives.



## Recognized StormReady Communities Must Have:

More than one way to receive severe weather forecasts and warnings and alert the Public.

Create a system that monitors local weather conditions

Promote the importance of Public readiness through community seminars.

Develop a formal hazardous weather plan, which includes training severe weather spotters and holding exercises.



# City of Joliet is

# StormReady

